GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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EXCESSIVE TELEVISION VIEWING BY CHILDREN
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the fact that a study report published by the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has expressed a graveconcern over the aggressive behavioural tendencies of excessive television viewing by the children; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) & (b): The NCERT study is based on a survey of 159 children in the urban locality in Delhi.The sample is too small to make any general statement with regard to the viewing of T.V. by children. Nevertheless, the Government have taken a note of the study report.